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Extension of the first country cooperation framework for Côte d'Ivoire

Note by the Administrator

Period of extension: 1 January 2001 to 31 December 2001

1. The Executive Board approved the first country cooperation framework (CCF) for Côte d'Ivoire for the period 1998-2000 at its second regular session in April 1998. A mid-term review of the CCF was held in August 1999, organized concurrently with those of the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Population Fund.

2. The first CCF focused on the promotion of sustainable human development with particular emphasis on strengthening of national management and planning capacity; poverty alleviation; gender; environmental protection; and reinforcement of good governance.

3. The programme achieved substantial gains in the areas of strengthening of national management and planning capacity, poverty alleviation and environmental protection. Assistance in the area of governance has produced only marginal results, however, because of the tense socio-political climate, the political mistrust developed after the elections of 1995 and the difficulty of encouraging politicians to work together.

4. A strong and dynamic partnership has developed among the Government, donors, civil society, the private sector and technical institutions for the reduction of poverty. UNDP, in collaboration with national academic institutions, is currently assisting the Government to design a Poverty Perception Survey Framework and Mechanism for monitoring and evaluating the impact of poverty programmes.

5. During the one-year extension of the CCP, UNDP will provide advisory services and strategic support to the political transition process. Under the governance programme, two additional projects — support to the electoral process and promotion of good governance — have been prepared and are in the process of

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being approved. These projects will strengthen national capacity to manage the transition process and the coordination of foreign aid. They will also facilitate the development of a new constitution that promotes national unity; the establishment of an autonomous electoral institution capable of conducting free and fair national elections; and the re-establishment of credible political structures representing the interest of the people. They will support the holding of transparent, free and fair elections, the results of which will be acceptable to all parties.

6. Preparation for the round-table conference on poverty will continue to ensure that it is held in the early part of 2001 under the new Government. The country office will also participate actively in the preparation of the Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper, in collaboration with the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

7. The Administrator wishes to inform the Executive Board that he has approved the extension of the first CCF for Côte d'Ivoire for a period of one year, from 1 January to 31 December 2001.

Annex

Resource mobilization target table for Côte d'Ivoire (1998-2001)

Source	*Amount (In thousands of United States dollars)*	*Comments*
UNDP regular resources		
Estimated carry-over	4 324	Indicate carry-over of TRAC 1 and TRAC 2.
TRAC 1.1.1	6 537	Assigned immediately to country.
TRAC 1.1.2	0 to 66.7 per cent of TRAC 1.1.1	This range of percentages is presented for initial planning purposes only. The actual assignment will depend on the availability of high-quality programmes. Any increase in the range of percentages would also be subject to availability of resources.
TRAC 1.1.3	500	
SPPD/STS	764	
Subtotal	**12 125**[a]	
UNDP other resources		
Government cost-sharing	426	
Third-party cost-sharing		
United Nations	19	
Canada	428	
France	145	
Norway	55	
United Kingdom	117	
Funds, trust funds and other		
	of which:	
GEF	3 862	
European Union	5 386	
Subtotal	**10 438**	
Grand total	**22 563**[a]	

[a] Not inclusive of TRAC 1.1.2, which is allocated regionally for subsequent country application.
Abbreviations: GEF = Global Environment Facility; SPPD = support for policy and programme development; STS = support for technical services; TRAC = target for resource assignment from the core.